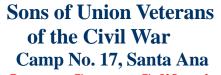


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Dedicated to the Memory of Grand Army of the Republic Veterans and the G.A.R. Posts of Orange County

Gen. John Sedgwick (Formed in honor of Sedgwick Post 17 of Santa Ana & Granger Post 138 of Orange) Gen. Gordon Granger ********

Camp 17 Election for 2013 Officers Held November 15 – Installation on Jan. 17

The 2013 officers for Camp 17 were elected at the November 15, 2012 meeting. The nominations for elected offices were for the re-election of our 2012 officers; Charles Beal as Commander, Joe Hart as SVC, "Doc" Lutes as JVC, and Terry Shaw as Secretary-Treasurer. The Camp Council was also re-elected as currently made up of James Blauer, Don Hoffer, and Dan Henry.

The 2012 appointed officers have also been reappointed by Commander Beal as; John Dodd as Counselor, James Blauer as Patriotic Instructor and Eagle Scout Coordinator, Scott McKee as Chaplain, Charles Beal as Historian, Glen Roosevelt as Newsletter Editor and Signals Officer, Charles Beal as Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer as the Guide, Peter Ignatius as the Color Bearer and Guard, and the GAR Highway Officer is Glen Roosevelt. The newly elected 2013 Camp officers and the appointed officers will be installed at the January 17, 2013 Camp meeting.

Please attend the January 17th meeting and help install our 2013 officers.

Please bring your 2013 Dues to the meeting!

Greetings and Happy New Year Camp 17 Brothers:

This is your annual notice that your 2013 Camp 17 dues are now payable. They are \$40.00 per calendar year, January thru December. We kindly ask that you remit your dues payment back to me by January 31, 2013 so we can submit our required reports and roster to the Department by February 15, 2013. Please make your check payable to: Sons of Union *Veterans Camp 17*, and note that it is for the 2013 dues.

Due to the fact that we are not a standalone organization and that all changes in membership need to be reported to our Department and ultimately to National Headquarters within required deadlines, it is much appreciated if you respond to this in a timely manner.

Also, please send me any corrections to e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, change of address, etc. with your dues payment and throughout the year as they occur.

Many thanks in advance

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Terry Shaw - Secretary-Treasurer Gen. Sedgwick-Granger, Camp #17 420 Bernard St. Costa Mesa, CA 92627-2059

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Camp 17 Brothers,

Happy New Year! Another year of new beginnings for our Camp as we perpetuate our Union Civil War ancestors, and as we continue to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War: 1863-2013.

The Soldiers' Monument at Santa Ana Cemetery is currently under repair with the support by the Orange County Cemetery District. The Soldiers' Monument will be 98 years old on Memorial Day this year. In two more years we will be commemorating the final year of the Civil War and the Soldiers' Monument dedication: 1865-1915.

I invite all of our members to "show and tell" about their civil war mementos, artifacts, weaponry, and family pictures of your Civil War ancestor and G.A.R. memorabilia, etc. Even if you have brought it in the past, our more recent members may not have seen them so please bring what you have and share it again.

This is our 9th anniversary since the reestablishment of our Camp here in Orange County, so come and celebrate with us with some cake and drinks and the installation of the 2013 Camp Officers.

See everyone on Thursday.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty, Charles Beal, Camp Commander

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Camp Council: James Blauer, Don Hoffer, and Dan Henry

2013 Appointed Officers:

Scott McKee - Chaplain, John Dodd - Counselor, James Blauer - Patriotic Instructor and Eagle Scout Coordinator, Charles Beal - Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer - Guide, Peter Ignatius - Color Bearer, Charles Beal - Historian, Glen Roosevelt - Newsletter Editor - Signals Officer - GAR Highway Officer.

Department of California & Pacific Website http://www.suvpac.org
Generals Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Website http://www.suvpac.org/camp17.html

Please submit all newsletter articles, photos, and comments to Glen Roosevelt via e-mail

SUVCW Camp 17 MEETINGS:

Are 3rd Thursday of odd-numbered months, at 7:00 pm

Tustin First Advent Christian Church in the Fellowship Hall, 555 W. Main Street, Tustin, CA. The Church was founded in 1881, and its congregation included members of the Gen. John Sedgwick GAR Post 17 of Santa Ana.

The Camp elected officers and members encourage all who are able to try and attend the meetings. A Camp is only as good as its active membership. We are aware of the difficulties people have in attending because of physical aliments or other things. If you would like to go each month and are unable to drive for whatever reason please let us know and we will endeavor to find a way to get you a ride.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

Two general Civil War reenactment schedules are at:

http://www.forttejon.org/ Click on the "Events" button on the left of the page. and

> HTTP://WWW.ACWS.NET/SCHEDULE.HTM *************

The Orange County Civil War Roundtable

For those who enjoy Civil War historical lectures & discussions on all aspects of the era. The Roundtable meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at Carrow's Restaurant in Fountain Valley, CA on Magnolia south of the 405 Freeway at 7:00PM Web Site is http://www.cwrtorangecounty-ca.org

Redlands Lincoln Pilgrimage & Lincoln Shrine Open House Saturday, Feb. 9 at 10:00AM & Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013 at 12:00 – 3:00PM

http://www.redlands-events.com/lincoln.htm

See flyer at end of this newsletter ********

George Washington Massing of Colors at Forest Lawn - Hollywood Hills Sunday, Feb. 27, 2013 at 3:00PM

> http://www.sons-of-liberty-sar.org/massing.php *********

★★★127th Annual SUVCW Department Encampment ★★★

Friday & Saturday, March 8 & 9, 2013 NCO Club at Camp San Luis Obispo

http://www.suvpac.org/encampment.html ******

St. Catherine's Civil War Reenactment

Sat. & Sun., March 16 & 17, 2013; 9:30am - 3:00pm

http://www.stcatherinesacademy.org/files/docs/civil-flyer.pdf

DUVCW/SUVCW/Auxiliary/Round Table Displays *******

Costa Mesa ACWS Civil War Reenactment

Sat. & Sun., April 20 & 21, 2013

SUVCW/DUVCW/Round Table Displays

Wreaths Across America

Camp 17 Brothers from the Orange County Chapter SAR participated in Third Annual Wreaths Across America wreath laying ceremony on Saturday, December 15th at the Brea Memorial Gardens Cemetery. The SAR and Camp 17 members laid wreaths at the foot of the Veterans Monument at 9am PST. Hundreds of

ceremonies were occurring simultaneously across the country. The Orange County Chapter SAR Lee's Legion Color Guard, led by Camp 17 Brother Jim Fosdyck, presented the colors and also sponsored a wreath. The ceremony included presenting the colors, invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem sung by Camp 17 Brother Jim Blauer. Wreaths were also presented by Camp 17 Commander Charles Beal on behalf of the Camp, and by DUVCW Tent 88 by Tent President Joann Knowles. Camp 17 Counselor John Dodd was the master of ceremonies for the SAR.







Top Right: Camp 17 Brother Jim Fosdyck led the consolidated SAR Color Guard. **Left:** Camp 17 Brother Jim Blauer sang the National Anthem, and Camp 17 Counselor John Dodd was the SAR Emcee for the event. Right: Brother Jim Blauer along with Camp 17 Commander Charles Beal after wreath presentation.

Santa Ana Cemetery Monument Restoration Update

Joann, Charles, Scott & Glen,

I wanted to let you all know that they started the restoration on the base of the GAR Eagle Monument yesterday (Jan. 9). I was not expecting them until January 28th, however they were able to re-arrange their schedule. I emphasized that the restoration needs to be done before Memorial Day. Looks like it should be completed well before that.

I have attached some pictures for your reference of the work so far. I will keep you updated on its restoration. (Photo shows start of base restoration).

Sincerely,
Tim Deutsch
General Manager
Orange County Cemetery District



Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Minutes of Meeting – Nov. 15, 2012 Tustin, CA

7:05 Call to order by Commander Charles Beal.

Brothers present: Charles Beal, James "Jim" Blauer, Walter Davis, Joe Hart, Daniel "Dan" Henry, Edward "Ed" McKee, Scott McKee, and Terry Shaw.

Opening prayer by Chaplain Scott McKee.

Pledge of Allegiance by Jim Blauer.

Roll call was taken (see above for attendance).

Treasurer report - by Terry Shaw: balance at 10/31/2012 was \$1,946.87, income for Sept.-Oct. was \$20.00 (dues), and expenses totaled \$38.00 (various) for net expense of \$18.00. Year to date income was \$1,550.00, and expense was \$1,951.47 for net year-to-date expense of \$401.47. Motion by Walter Davis to approve, second by Joe Hart, motion carried. (Refer to spreadsheet for further detail).

Minutes of meeting of 9-20-12 submitted; motion by Walter Davis to approve, second by Dan Henry; motion carried.

Report on Brother's health/in distress:

Charles Beal reported that his mother had a stroke.

Membership applications: None.

Officer elections for 2013:

Commander Beal passed the gavel to Joe Hart, SVC: nomination taken.

Camp Commander: Charles Beal nominated by Walter Davis, seconded by Dan Henry, elected by acclimation.

Joe Hart turned the gavel back over to Charles: nominations taken.

Sr. Vice Commander: Joe Hart nominated by Walter Davis, seconded by Dan Henry, elected by acclimation.

Jr. Vice Commander: "Doc" Lutes nominated by Dan Henry, seconded by Joe Hart, elected by acclimation.

Secretary-Treasurer: Terry Shaw nominated by Walter Davis, seconded by Joe Hart, elected by acclimation.

Camp Council - no change recommended by Walter Davis, seconded by Joe Hart, elected by acclimation.

Brothers James Blauer, Don Hoffer and Dan Henry.

Delegates for the Department Encampment of March 8-9, 2013 were requested; Joe Hart and Terry Shaw volunteered, others pending.

Regular meeting resumed:

Grave's registration: Charles found 24 more, including a Confederate veteran, in unmarked graves, working with cemetery.

Civil War Memorials: Charles is updating database.

Eagle Scout Certificates: Jim has received/processed 13 requests for the year; it has been a slow year.

Newsletter: Charles commended Glen Roosevelt on his excellent work.

Camp History: no report.

Old Business:

Santa Ana Cemetery GAR monument: Charles has contacted Tim Deutsch, General Manager of the Orange County Cemetery District; their Board has authorized up to \$25,000 to be spent on repairing the monument.

West Coast Civil War Roundtable Conference: held Nov. 2-4; Joe Hart commented on the excellent speakers, including Steve Lund who has radio controlled scale models of ironclads and will be our speaker on March 21, 2013. Joe further indicated next year's conference will be held as a two and a half day cruise.

New Business:

Drum Barracks Civil War Museum: Remembrance Day ceremony to be held Nov. 17.

Good of the order:

Walter announced that Ken Burns' "The Civil War" series was currently being shown on PBS. Charles mentioned a PBS documentary on Civil War dead he viewed.

Jim Blauer mentioned the attempted stealing of Abraham Lincoln's body and that he was buried nine times. Charles indicated that he had copies of a video produced by the OC Cemetery District of the Memorial Day services for those that wanted them (a showing was held after the meeting).

7:45 - closing prayer by Scott McKee Adjourn to January 17, 2013 meeting by Charles Beal

Submitted in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty, Terry Shaw Secretary-Treasurer



Commander-in-Chief Communiqué Merry Christmas and Happy New Years

- 1. Over the last several months the SUVCW has had a great deal of changes that have affected the entire Order. The following is a recap of some of the changes.
- 2. It seems that the IRS will not go away and will always want more information from the Order. For some unknown reason they have decided that we need a little more spice in our lives.
- 3. To that respect, the IRS made the determination that donations to the SUVCW are no longer tax deductible by the donor. The SUVCW remains a non-profit 501(C)(4) entity. This is an IRS determination and was in no way the result of any action or inaction made by the SUVCW. Any income received by the SUVCW remains non- taxable and any Camp conducting fundraising may continue as long as there is no statement or implication of a tax deduction for the donor.

The SUVCW is currently working within our budgetary and time restraints on changing our tax status from 501 (C)(4) to a 501 (C)(3). This will be a costly and time consuming process but it is a high priority of the Order.

All Camps and Departments should examine all published material; including but not limited to: material utilized by committees, web sites, internet postings, brochures, advertising material, membership material, newsletters, etc., in their possession and remove any reference to tax deductible donations.

Please, do not allow this ruling to negatively affect the good works being pursued by our organization. Although it may make your projects more difficult to complete, the toils we face are pale compared to those of our ancestors, the boys in blue.

4. At the National Encampment in Los Angeles, CA there was a great deal of discussion about the conversion from 501 (C)(4) to 501(C)(3) with the final outcome being that the Order would proceed with the process. The General Engagement Letter to hire the lawyers has been signed by both the National Treasurer Richard Orr and myself. Now our lawyer is under retainer (\$7,500) to complete the required IRS paperwork and will make the submission to the IRS. This process will take several months to complete, and then the IRS could take approximately nine (9) months for a determination.

More information will be given as it becomes available.

In Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,

Perley E. Mellor Commander-in-Chief

Congress Designates 'Taps' as National Song

Rick Maze, Army Times 12:03p.m. EST December 27, 2012

WASHINGTON — Congress has designated *Taps*, the haunting 24-note bugle call that American military forces have used since the Civil War, as the National Song of Remembrance.

However, lawmakers stopped short of putting into law directions about how people should conduct themselves when the tune is being played. The final version of the 2013 Defense Authorization Act, passed Friday in Congress and on its way to the White House for the president's signature, includes a "sense of Congress" resolution stating that *Taps* should be the official national song.

No one doubted this designation would be made because both the House and Senate versions of the defense policy bill included similar statements about the designation. However, House and Senate negotiators decided not to include a House-passed provision on rules of conduct while *Taps* is being played at a funeral or memorial service. The provision was left out of the final bill because of disagreement about whether a federal law is warranted, especially regarding how civilians and military personnel not in uniform should conduct themselves when the song is played, according to aides who were part of the discussion.

The House proposal was very specific. It said those not in uniform should stand at attention with their right hands over their hearts. Men not in uniform wearing a hat should remove the hat with their right hand and hold it over their heart while standing at attention. Those in uniform should stand at attention and render a military salute at the first note of "Taps" and hold the salute until the last note has finished.

The origins of *Taps* is not known, but the House resolution says a Union general, Daniel Butterfield, and a bugler, Oliver Willcox Norton, created it in 1862 as a signal to mark the end of military activities for the day. It is similar to a melody British troops played at funerals. The 150th anniversary of the U.S. military's use of the song was marked in June with rededication of the Taps Monument at Berkley Plantation, Va., where Butterfield and Norton were stationed in 1862.







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Plan to have your group join in the 74th Annual Pilgrimage in Redlands, California and visit the only Lincoln Shrine west of the Mississippi River.

When: Saturday, February 9, 2013. Gathering starts 9:00am

Pilgrimage starts at 10:00am Rain or Shine!!

Where: Gather at Redlands High School South Campus Athletic Field (Citrus & University). Program at

Redlands Bowl across from the Lincoln Shrine (See Map)

Who: Cub Scouts - Boy Scouts - Girl Scouts - Campfire Girls & Boys - Y.M.C.A. - 4-H - Boys & Girls Clubs,

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What: Bring Unit Flag or Banners, and American Flag on flagpole to carry in the parade.

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For more information contact, Dennis McCarty 909-793-4537 or Volunteer Services at the Council Office (909) 793-2463, Ext. 129





SUVCW Camp 17 Meeting Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013 at 7:00pm

in the Fellowship Hall, First Advent Christian Church 555 W. Main St. (corner of Main & Pacific), Tustin, CA

2013 Camp Officer Installation

Upcoming presentation in March: Civil War Ironclad Ships by Steve Lund



The Church is located at the corner of Main Street and Pacific Street in "old" Tustin. The Fellowship Hall is located behind the Pastor's residence that is just east of the Church. Parking is in the small lot just east of the Pastor's residence. Entry to the Fellowship Hall is through the gate in the chain-link fence at the back (north) side of the parking lot. The meetings normally start at 7:00 pm, and the doors to the Hall are opened at 6:30.

From the 55 Freeway: exit 4th Street/Irvine Blvd, go east to Yorba, south across First St., south on Pacific to Main. From I-5: exit at Newport, north to Main, left on Main, west on Main to Pacific.

DO NOT park between the two "No Parking" signs next to the driveway of the Pastor's garage....Thank You.



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Treasurer Terry Shaw: 420 Bernard St, Costa Mesa, CA 92627-2059

Or bring your dues payments to the January 17 meeting.